

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

REPORT OF THE
LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
ENDING JUNE 30
1932



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COPYRIGHT OFFICE

The report of the Register of Copyrights appears this year as a separate publication.

The principal statistics of the business done during the year are as follows:

Fees received and applied, fiscal year 1931-32

Registrations for published works (at \$2).....	\$236, 730. 00
Registrations for unpublished works (at \$1).....	25, 751. 00
Registrations (at \$1), photographs, no certificates.....	1, 731. 00

Registrations (at \$1), renewals.....	\$5, 888. 00
For copies of record.....	1, 263. 00
For assignments and copies of same.....	8, 500. 00
For notices of user.....	304. 00
For indexing transfers of proprietorship.....	302. 90
For searches.....	495. 00

Total.....	280, 964. 90
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Total number of registrations.....	151, 735
Total communications received, including parcels, but excluding deposits noted above.....	204, 215
Total communications sent out (including letters written).....	198, 313

The fees from copyrights are covered into the Treasury and not applied directly to the maintenance of the Copyright Office. They form a regular revenue of the Government, however, and a net revenue over the direct expenses of the office, as appears from the comparison following:

RECEIPTS

Fees covered in during the fiscal year 1931-32 as above.....	\$280, 964. 90
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EXPENSES

Salaries, including retirement fund, as stated.....	\$247, 440. 50
Stationery and sundries.....	1, 225. 12
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Net cash earnings.....	32, 299. 28
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The above statement includes all disbursements except the cost of furniture, of printing, and of binding, but only cash receipts. In addition to cash fees, the copyright business brings each year to the Government, in articles deposited, property to the value of many thousands of dollars. During the past fiscal year 242,689 such articles were received. The value of those drawn up into the collections of the Library far exceeded the amount of the net cash earnings.

On July 6, 1932, the books of the Copyright Office were balanced for June, the accounts for the year closed, and the financial statements completed for the Treasury Department, showing that all earned fees to June 30 had been paid into the Treasury.

During the past 35 years the business done by the office was as follows:

Total number of entries.....	4, 467, 350
Total number of articles deposited (about).....	7, 658, 645
Total amount of fees received and applied.....	\$4, 642, 805. 30
Total expenditure for service.....	\$3, 839, 066. 55
Net receipts above expenses for service.....	\$803, 738. 75